

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q84781

Chika IRI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/516,462

Group Art Unit: 3635

Confirmation No.: 2867

Examiner: Jessica L. Laux

Filed: December 3, 2004

For: STEEL FRAMED BUILDING AND JOINT STRUCTURE BETWEEN COLUMN AND BEAM

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on

June 25, 2009:

REMARKS

During the interview, the following was discussed:

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: None.
2. Identification of claims discussed: Claims 1, 2 and 12.
3. Identification of art discussed: JP '129.
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: None.
5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: JP '129 does not disclose a reinforcing members comprising two first end plates disposed in an upper end side, two second end plates disposed in a lower end side, the first and second end plates being connected by a groove-type

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plate, and two stiffener plates disposed at left and right opposite outer sides of the first and second end plates. In addition, the arrow **CM** drawn by the Examiner in the Office Action dated April 28, 2009 is not pointing to a structural element of JP '129.

6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: None.

7. Results of Interview: The Examiner agreed with the principal arguments as set forth above and indicated that a response to the outstanding Office Action in accordance with these arguments would overcome the standing rejections.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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